

PHANTOM LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
April 21, 2005

Approved Minutes

Steve Barber, chairperson, called the meeting of the Phantom Lakes Management District to order at 7:05 pm. Other Commissioners in attendance were Carol Fait, Pete Kumlein, Steve Verduyn, Town of Mukwonago Representative David Dubey, and Waukesha County Representative Karen McNelly. Curtis Chase was absent. Three residents and guest Jeff Thornton were present.

S. Barber acknowledges that the meeting was properly noticed.

Open Forum – Dick Jenks asked the board if everyone had received his email in regards to the GZA report and S. Barber acknowledged that they have received his concerns.

Announcements & Correspondence – S. Barber received a call from a resident of the district, who is concerned about the use of an easement between the properties. The board does not believe that the district would have any control over these kinds of situations and that it would most likely would have to be taken up with the Town.

K. McNelly commented she was on Phantom Lake on April 20th to do water sampling where she has noticed considerable erosion taking place on Lower Phantom. This is on a lot that has had new construction; there is no silt fence, the erosion is tremendous and she encouraged the board to ask the Town to do something about this matter.

S. Barber reports that he was notified last week of an oil spill that had occurred during early February on the ice. He was told that the DNR was notified and all was properly cleaned up.

Rob Hudson and Peter Kammer from Lake Beulah are still interested in doing a Water Symposium Presentation.

Secretary's Report – S. Barber asked if there were any additions or questions to the minutes and none were presented.

Motion made to approve the minutes of March, 2005 regular meeting, by K. McNelly. Second by C. Fait, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – S. Verduyn summarized the Treasurer's Report. S. Barber had one more bill to add which brought the total bills to be paid to the sum of \$2,641.22. **Motion** made by P. Kumlien to approve and pay the bills. Second by S. Verduyn, motion carried.

Well Update – S. Barber commented that due to concerns in the contract, between the Village of Mukwonago and the YMCA Camp, that there may be a postponement in the testing for the municipal well. D. Dubey commented that he has heard that they are renegotiating the contract. The YMCA Camp had previously wanted all work on the camp property completed by mid May prior to the summer camp sessions. P. Kumlein commented that the awareness to the public should continue.

D. Dubey will put a copy of the GZA Report, "Evaluation of Potential Impact to Upper Phantom Lake Related to the Proposed Village of Mukwonago Water Supply Well at the YMCA Camp", at the Mukwonago Library.

Lake Management Plan – Dr. Thornton presented to the board the Preliminary Draft – Appendix A of the Phantom Lakes Management Plan. Copies of The Aquatic Plant Management Plan for Phantom Lakes were given to the board members. Dr. Thornton discussed areas of importance with the board members.

K. McNelly will put a copy of the Aquatic Plant Management Plan at the Reference Desk in the Mukwonago Library for the public to use.

K. McNelly suggested that laminated copies of the pictures showing cutting lanes and plants be placed on the harvester.

There was considerable discussion about cutting lanes and possible donations to help equal the cost cutting the weeds. A possible posting of navigation lanes at access sites to the lake was recommended.

The board will review the Preliminary Draft and will let Dr. Thornton know if any changes are needed.

Staffing Needs – Bob Pakulski discussed with the board prospective future employees who are interested in operating the harvesters. Harvesting hours will range from 5am to approximately 6pm on weekdays only. Considerable discussion was given to rate of pay for the harvesters with final decision being \$11.00 - \$12.00 per hour based on experience. Harvesters will be hired as seasonal employees working according to the District's hourly needs. S. Verduyn made a **Motion** to pay top harvester \$12.00 per hour and everyone else \$11.00 per hour, not to exceed the \$16,000.00 budgeted for the year. Second by P. Kumlein, motion carried with C. Fait abstaining.

Lake Sampling Equipment – D. Dubey presented the YSI 85D Water Sampling Equipment that was purchased. Dick Jenks is going to do sampling in Upper Phantom and K. McNelly will be doing Lower Phantom once a month. The sampling will be done minimally once a month with pH sampling done at least twice a year. S. Barber will look into getting a case to help protect the sampling equipment. S. Barber will contact Tom Brandemuehl to get a copy of previous dam water level readings for the PLMD records.

Fish & Stocking Lockboxes – S. Verduyn has obtained three quotes for stocking fish in both Upper and Lower Lakes. S. Verduyn asked for the board's approval to get a permit from the DNR and purchasing the fish for stocking. C. Fait made a **Motion** to authorize S. Verduyn to act on behalf of the district, not to exceed the District's cost of \$1,188.50 for 2005. Second by P. Kumlein, motion carried with K. McNelly abstaining.

PLMD Website – S. Barber reported that Emily Hetzel's class is nearing completion of the PLMD's website. S. Barber will go to the Mukwonago High School on April 27th and he will review the rough drafts that the students have done. S. Barber will continue to search for a host for the website.

New Business

Discussion of Septic Inspection Ordinance – Dick Jenks met with Waukesha County Environmental Health and they agreed to get all notices out by approximately mid May. S. Verduyn has volunteered to take over continued updating of all properties included in the mandatory septic/pumping inspections.

At 9:41pm, D. Dubey moved to adjourn, second by P. Kumlein, motion carried.

Regular Meeting – The board will meet **Thursday, May 26, 2005** at the Mukwonago Town Hall at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gina Krause
Treasurer/Secretary Assistant